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NEW ZAGREB UNDER CONSTRUCTION -- Borba, No 61, 13 Mar 49

The new city of Zagreb will be built between the present railroad line and the Sava in what was until recently the outskirts of the city.

Immediately after the liberation, before it was possible to build housing on a large scale, the foundations of the new city were built. Eight large four-story apartment buildings, containing 700 units, and one large building for municipal agencies have been built here, and two more office buildings are now under construction. Three large apartment buildings for construction workers, an industrial school, and other housing units have been completed, and a headquarters for apprentices is under construction.

Moskovski Boulevard, 65 meters wide, will cross this part of the city. A 6 1/2-kilometer streetcar line on the Boulevard will connect the present Trnjevka with the new industrial center of Zitnjak. The streetcar line will be built this year by the People's Front of Zagreb. Large blocks of apartment and office buildings will be erected along Moskovski Boulevard between Savska and Driceva Streets, where the administrative center of the city and of Croatia will be located. Zrinjevac Park will be at right angles to Moskovski Boulevard.

A new block of five large three-story apartment houses, containing 300 units, will be put up this year by the Municipal People's Council. A workers' community will be started in Volovica for workers in industrial enterprises in Zitnjak. On the other side of the city, the large "Rade Koncar" workers' community will be built.

A large municipal garden, which will supply vegetables to the city this year, was founded recently along Radnicka Road, which connects Zagreb with Zitnjak.

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Wide parks to be laid out on both sides of the Sava will connect directly with the housing communities. Recreation facilities will be built here, including quarters for the Great Fair and a zoological garden.

This year a peripheral railroad freight route, by-passing Zagreb, will be started. Passenger trains also will by-pass the city by using a system of tunnels through the Sljeme (part of Zagreb Mountain). A double-track trolley line will be built from Mihaljevac to the first tunnel in the Sljeme this year. During 1948, work was started on a tunnel through the Sljeme to connect Zagreb directly with the Croatian Zagorje.

Soon the building of a new city to house 25,000 inhabitants will be started near Zagreb Mountain. Within a few years this will be a large university city.

A total of about 3,000 new dwelling units will be built in Zagreb this year.

CROATIA PLANS CITY CONSTRUCTION -- Borba, No 61, 13 Mar 49

The City Planning Institute of the Croatian Ministry of Construction has worked out city plans for Zagreb, Split, Slavonki Brod, Karlovac, Sisak, Varazdin, Cakovec, Ploce Harbor, and Susak-Rijeka.

The primary consideration in evolving these plans has been to provide the best possible conditions for the health and comfort of the working people. Housing will be built with provision for maximum sun and air instead of in congested blocks, as in the past.

Each community will have a children's playground and day-nursery. Schools will be located within the communities so that pupils will not have to cross main streets.

Of the total republic Croatian investment for 1949, 21.59 percent has been allocated for housing, and the national budget also provides for the construction of about 10,000 new dwelling units in Croatia this year. The greatest building activity will take place in Zagreb, Split, Slavonki Brod, Sisak, Karlovac, and Varazdin.

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